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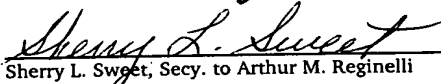
Patent No. 6,021,524)

Filed December 1, 1999)

For CUT RESISTANT POLYMERIC)
FILMS)

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REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter that is described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 6,021,524 entitled CUT RESISTANT POLYMERIC FILMS and in the attached specification based thereon, for which invention we hereby solicit a Reissue Patent.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims of the patent as issued and those added in the present Reissue Application.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 (a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application (s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and

have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

| | | | <u>Priority Claimed</u> | |
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| <u>None</u> | | | | |
| Number | Country | Date Filed | Yes | No |

English Language Declaration

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application (s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, We acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 (a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

| <u>None</u> | | | |
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We believe the original Patent to be partly inoperative by reason of our claiming less than we had a right to claim in the patent. This defect in the patent occurred, through error, without deceptive intent on our part and warrants reissue pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §251 & 37 C.F.R. §1.75.

The error to be corrected by the present Reissue Application stems from our failure to appreciate the scope of the claims ultimately allowed. After its issuance of the subject patent, we recognized that an error existed in the issued Patent because the we had claimed less than we had a right to claim in the Patent. Specifically, we noticed that the issued patent contained only claims directed to a "medical glove" when, in fact, the Specification supports broader claims to a polymeric film and articles formed therefrom. Therefore, we now wish to claim the full scope of the invention as described in the Specification, and we have added claims 23-34 in the present Reissue Application.

Independent Claim 23 has been added to claim a "polymeric film" rather than a "medical glove" inasmuch as the specification teaches this broader article, and the granting of claims thereon would help to cure the defect mentioned hereinabove. Support for claims 23-31 can be found in the specification of U.S. Patent 6,021,524 at column 1, lines 63-64; column 2, line 1-2; column 2, lines 17-20; and in the

Abstract. Also, independent claim 32, and claims 33 and 34 dependent therefrom, have been added to claim "an article formed from a polymeric film having increased cut resistance". It is believed that these claims will also help to cure the defect mentioned hereinabove. Support for these claims can be found in the specification of U.S. Patent 6,021,524 at column 2, lines 46-56 and at column 7, lines 20-25.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.172, the present Declaration and Power of Attorney is accompanied by the written consent of the Assignee of Record.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.174, the present Declaration and Power of Attorney is accompanied by a letter requesting transfer of the drawings from the patent file. However, as required, a temporary drawing, consisting of a copy of the printed drawings of the patent, has been submitted.

For the present Reissued Application, Small Entity status is still proper and desired.

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DECLARATION

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereof.

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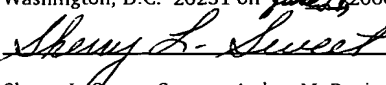
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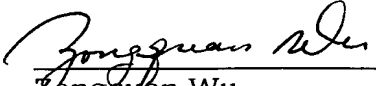
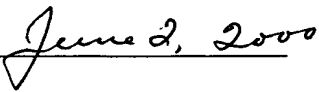
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Sir:

The undersigned applicants of the accompanying Reissue Application for the reissue of U.S. Patent No. 6,021,524, dated February 8, 2000, hereby offer to surrender said Letters Patent in connection with the reissue application filed herewith.

The written consent of The University of Akron, Assignee of record, has been filed contemporaneously herewith.

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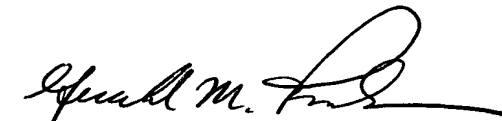

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WRITTEN CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE TO THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR REISSUE OF PATENT 6,021,524

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Sir:

The University of Akron, Assignee of U.S. Patent No. 6,021,524, consents to filing of the present Application for Reissue of U.S. Patent 6,021,524. The University of Akron also consents to the Offer to Surrender Original Letters Patent filed herewith. Proof of the University of Akron's ownership can be found in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 9329, Frame 0043.

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Director of Research and Sponsored Programs